

## SNOWMOBILING

# Northland 300 celebrates 20 years

Minus 20 degree weather didn't stop snowmobilers or spectators from participating in the festivities to begin the 2008 Northland 300.

126 riders, as well as several special guests, kicked off the twentieth anniversary of the ride in Two Harbors on Jan. 26.

All money raised by the fundraiser goes towards supporting the Special Olympics of

Minnesota. This year's event raised over \$226,000, pushing the 20 year total to \$2.8 million.

Ely's own Marianne Preblich did her part by raising \$2,330 herself.

Riders had the opportunity to celebrate their success with a Luau Party hosted by the Grand Ely Lodge Saturday evening.



Riders participating in the Northland 300 take a break from the trails to pose for a shot outside the Grand Ely Lodge. submitted photo